

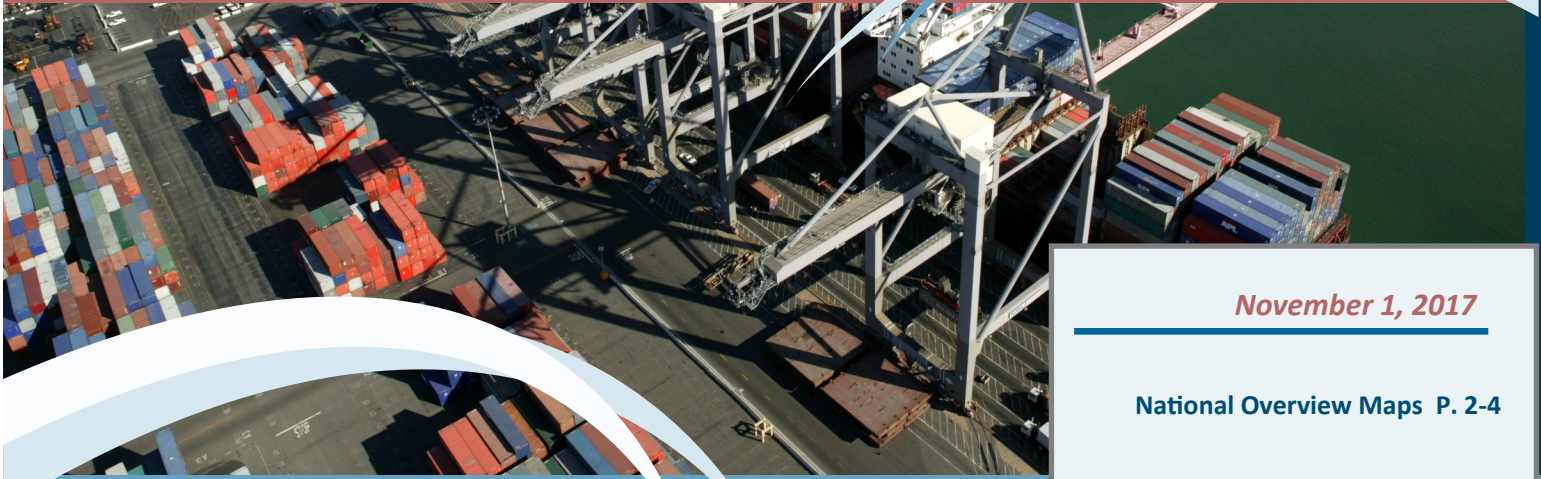


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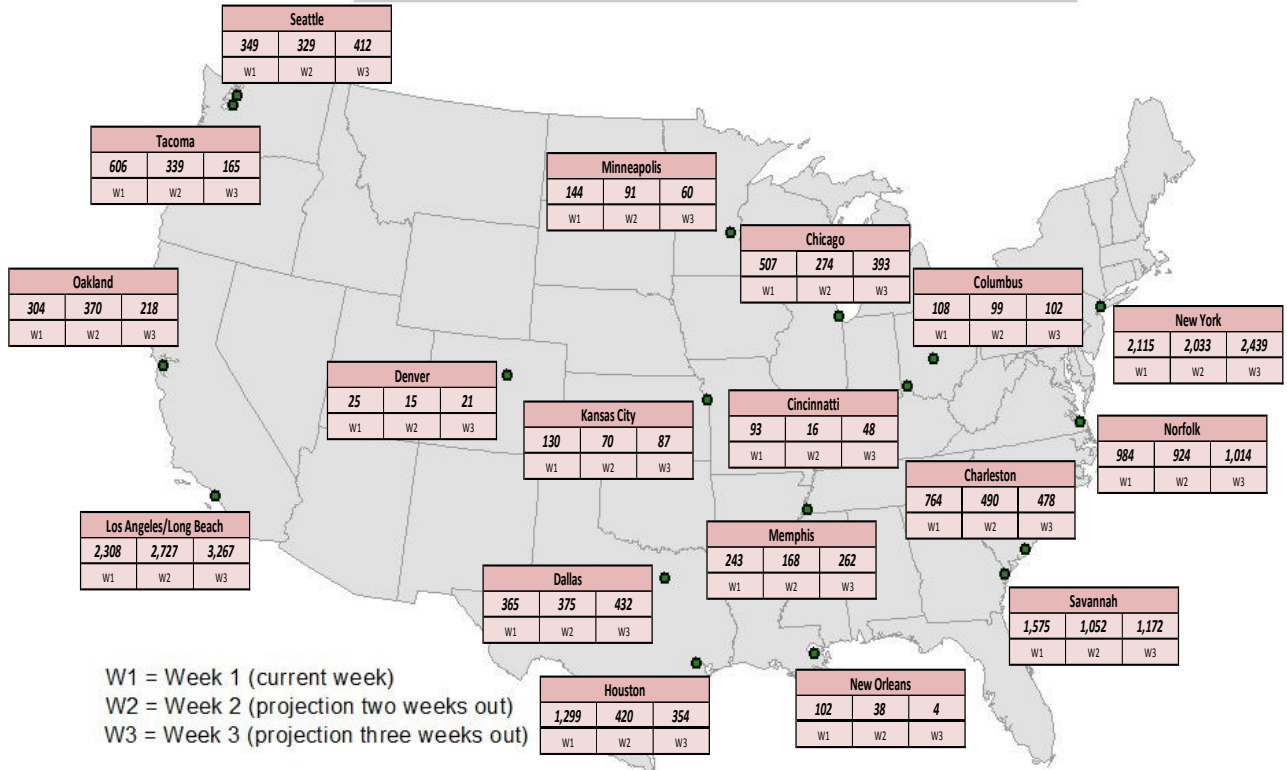
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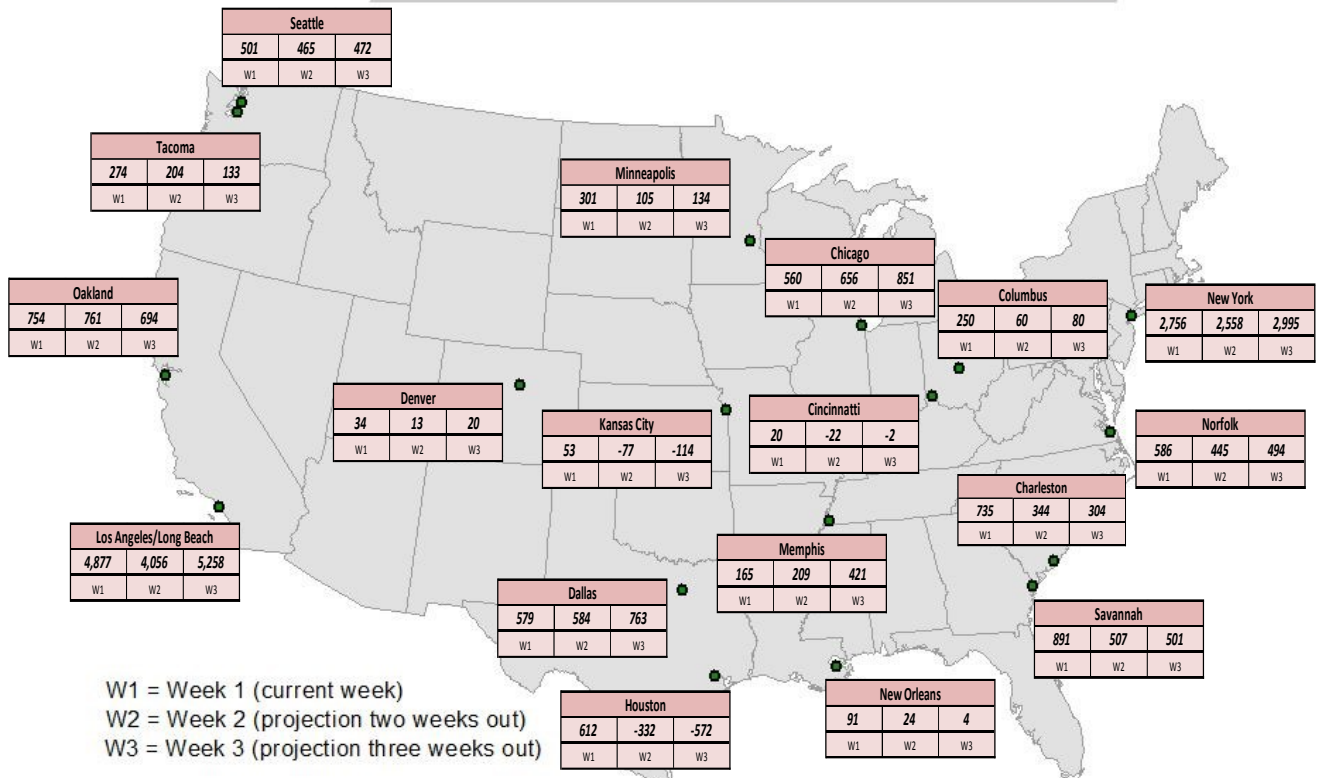
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Weekly Availability for 20ft Dry Containers



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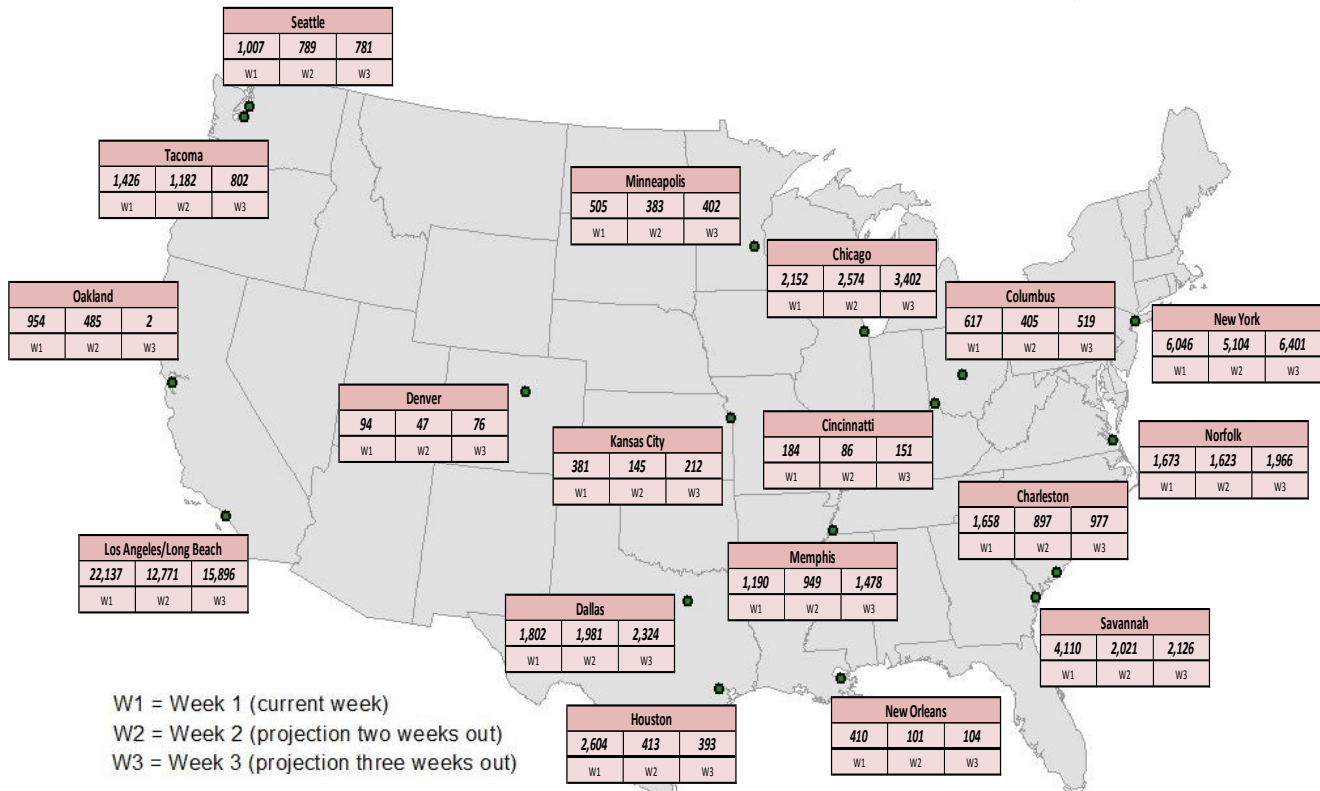


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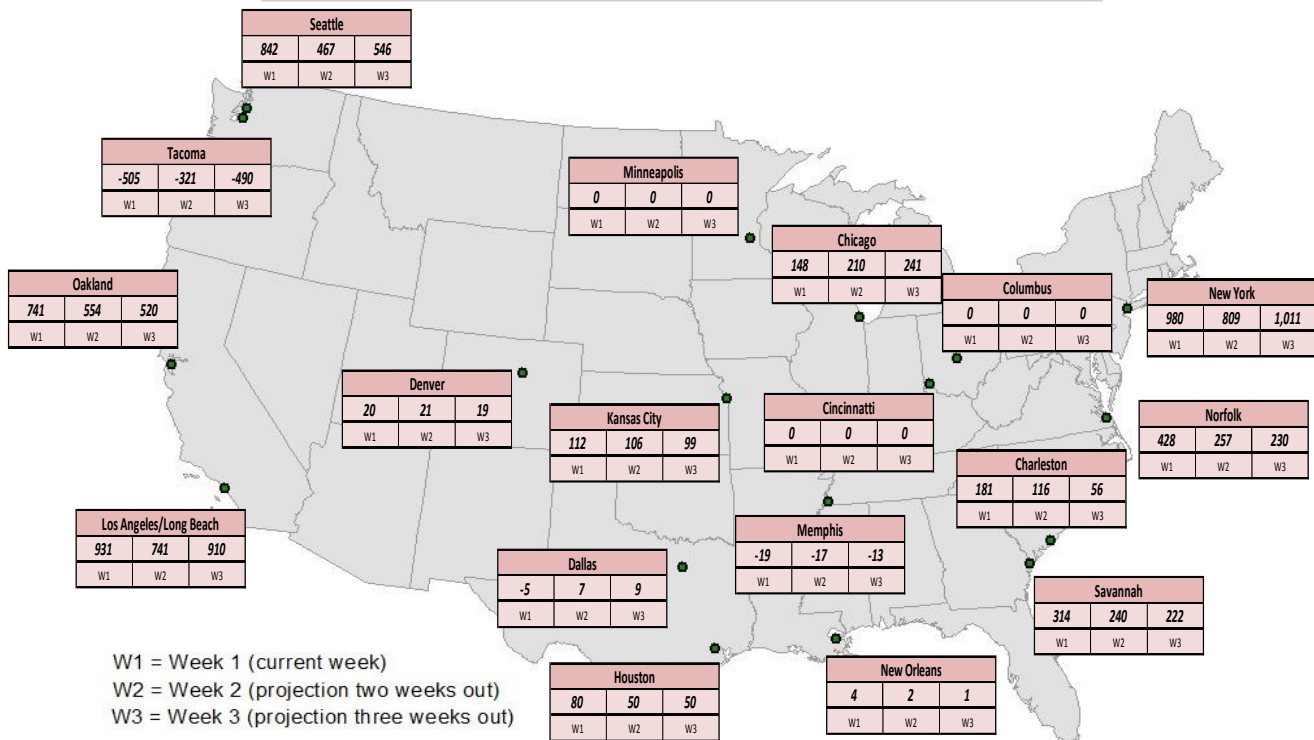
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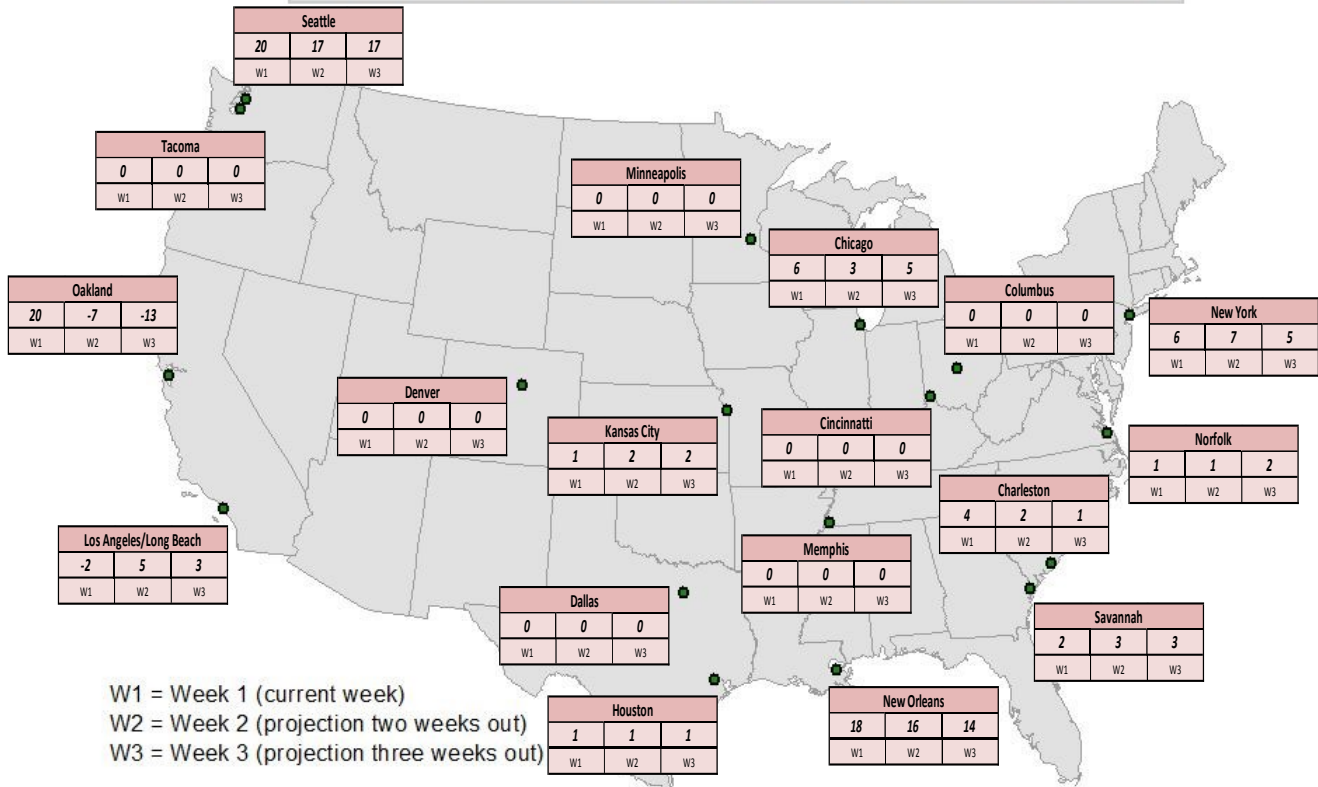


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Weekly Availability for 20ft Refrigerated Containers





Charleston						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 1-7	238	176	167	123	60	764
Week 2: Nov 8-14	.	169	169	92	60	490
Week 3: Nov 15-21	.	170	178	70	60	478
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 1-7	300	199	153	60	23	735
Week 2: Nov 8-14	.	144	111	60	29	344
Week 3: Nov 15-21	.	134	94	60	16	304
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 1-7	564	468	402	164	60	1,658
Week 2: Nov 8-14	503	.	334	0	60	897
Week 3: Nov 15-21	444	.	356	117	60	977
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 1-7	128	47	23	20	-37	181
Week 2: Nov 8-14	112	40	-12	.	-24	116
Week 3: Nov 15-21	102	42	-50	.	-38	56
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 1-7	4	0	0	.	.	4
Week 2: Nov 8-14	2	.	0	.	.	2
Week 3: Nov 15-21	1	.	0	.	.	1

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.



Chicago						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 1-7	379	131	25	8	-36	507
Week 2: Nov 8-14	.	243	35	32	-36	274
Week 3: Nov 15-21	.	394	40	8	-49	393
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 1-7	260	228	49	23	0	560
Week 2: Nov 8-14	616	.	-13	53	0	656
Week 3: Nov 15-21	843	.	39	-31	0	851
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 1-7	1,029	818	319	0	-14	2,152
Week 2: Nov 8-14	1,864	.	547	20	143	2,574
Week 3: Nov 15-21	2,458	.	761	25	158	3,402
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 1-7	135	13	0	0	.	148
Week 2: Nov 8-14	201	9	0	0	.	210
Week 3: Nov 15-21	231	10	0	0	.	241
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 1-7	6	0	.	.	.	6
Week 2: Nov 8-14	3	0	.	.	.	3
Week 3: Nov 15-21	5	0	.	.	.	5

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Cincinnati						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 1-7	88	8	7	1	-11	93
Week 2: Nov 8-14	.	10	9	2	-5	16
Week 3: Nov 15-21	.	6	22	-3	23	48
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 1-7	42	15	0	0	-37	20
Week 2: Nov 8-14	.	14	-1	0	-35	-22
Week 3: Nov 15-21	.	20	0	0	-22	-2
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 1-7	110	30	24	20	0	184
Week 2: Nov 8-14	.	62	14	12	-2	86
Week 3: Nov 15-21	.	103	32	10	6	151
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 1-7	0	0	.	.	.	0
Week 2: Nov 8-14	0	0	.	.	.	0
Week 3: Nov 15-21	0	0	.	.	.	0
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 1-7	0	0
Week 2: Nov 8-14	0	0
Week 3: Nov 15-21	0	0

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Columbus						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 1-7	64	35	7	2	0	108
Week 2: Nov 8-14	88	.	2	-1	10	99
Week 3: Nov 15-21	101	.	-12	3	10	102
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 1-7	208	42	2	0	-2	250
Week 2: Nov 8-14	.	50	1	0	9	60
Week 3: Nov 15-21	.	44	2	20	14	80
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 1-7	360	212	45	0	0	617
Week 2: Nov 8-14	.	332	49	24	0	405
Week 3: Nov 15-21	.	451	50	8	10	519
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 1-7	0	0	.	.	.	0
Week 2: Nov 8-14	0	0	.	.	.	0
Week 3: Nov 15-21	0	0	.	.	.	0
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 1-7	0	0
Week 2: Nov 8-14	0	0
Week 3: Nov 15-21	0	0

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Dallas						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 1-7	117	117	88	43	0	365
Week 2: Nov 8-14	194	113	.	63	5	375
Week 3: Nov 15-21	262	68	.	92	10	432
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 1-7	262	143	134	30	10	579
Week 2: Nov 8-14	139	384	.	53	8	584
Week 3: Nov 15-21	98	592	.	63	10	763
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 1-7	763	460	446	108	25	1,802
Week 2: Nov 8-14	713	1,044	.	204	20	1,981
Week 3: Nov 15-21	436	1,567	.	291	30	2,324
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 1-7	0	0	-5	.	.	-5
Week 2: Nov 8-14	0	0	7	.	.	7
Week 3: Nov 15-21	0	0	9	.	.	9
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 1-7	0	0
Week 2: Nov 8-14	0	0
Week 3: Nov 15-21	0	0

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Denver						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 1-7	17	7	1	0	0	25
Week 2: Nov 8-14	.	10	5	0	0	15
Week 3: Nov 15-21	.	15	6	0	0	21
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 1-7	20	12	2	0	0	34
Week 2: Nov 8-14	.	10	3	0	0	13
Week 3: Nov 15-21	.	14	6	0	0	20
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 1-7	68	43	0	0	-17	94
Week 2: Nov 8-14	.	66	0	4	-23	47
Week 3: Nov 15-21	.	98	0	7	-29	76
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 1-7	20	0	0	.	.	20
Week 2: Nov 8-14	21	0	0	.	.	21
Week 3: Nov 15-21	19	0	0	.	.	19
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 1-7	0	0
Week 2: Nov 8-14	0	0
Week 3: Nov 15-21	0	0

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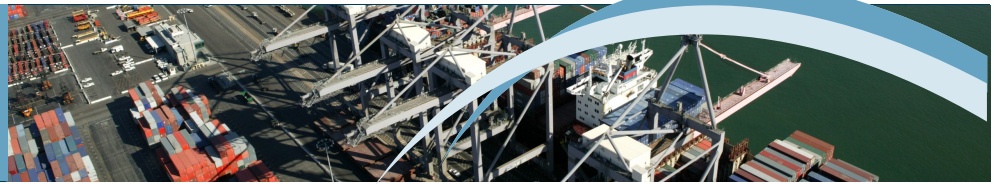
Houston						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 1-7	941	323	37	5	-7	1,299
Week 2: Nov 8-14	.	331	44	10	35	420
Week 3: Nov 15-21	.	329	48	0	-23	354
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 1-7	826	93	1	0	-308	612
Week 2: Nov 8-14	.	91	42	0	-465	-332
Week 3: Nov 15-21	.	86	-25	0	-633	-572
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 1-7	2,338	195	45	26	0	2,604
Week 2: Nov 8-14	.	241	138	34	0	413
Week 3: Nov 15-21	.	305	37	51	0	393
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 1-7	40	40	0	0	.	80
Week 2: Nov 8-14	50	.	0	0	.	50
Week 3: Nov 15-21	50	.	0	0	.	50
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 1-7	1	0	0	.	.	1
Week 2: Nov 8-14	1	.	0	.	.	1
Week 3: Nov 15-21	1	.	0	.	.	1

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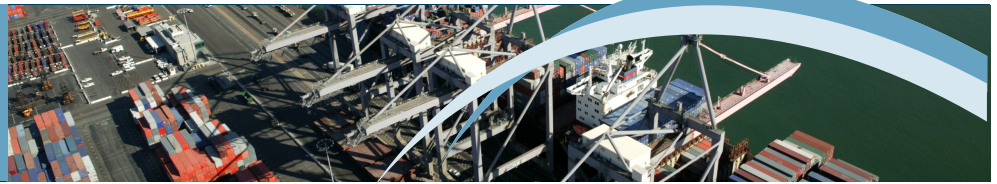
Kansas City						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 1-7	85	36	5	4	0	130
Week 2: Nov 8-14	.	55	10	5	0	70
Week 3: Nov 15-21	.	74	5	6	2	87
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 1-7	60	12	0	0	-19	53
Week 2: Nov 8-14	.	-5	-1	0	-71	-77
Week 3: Nov 15-21	.	9	0	0	-123	-114
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 1-7	258	91	33	0	-1	381
Week 2: Nov 8-14	.	102	40	0	3	145
Week 3: Nov 15-21	.	168	39	0	5	212
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 1-7	82	30	0	0	.	112
Week 2: Nov 8-14	55	51	0	0	.	106
Week 3: Nov 15-21	48	51	0	0	.	99
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 1-7	1	0	.	.	.	1
Week 2: Nov 8-14	2	0	.	.	.	2
Week 3: Nov 15-21	2	0	.	.	.	2

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Los Angeles and Long Beach						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 1-7	660	619	491	478	60	2,308
Week 2: Nov 8-14	656	.	743	1,268	60	2,727
Week 3: Nov 15-21	532	.	986	1,689	60	3,267
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 1-7	2,116	1,355	866	480	60	4,877
Week 2: Nov 8-14	.	1,909	1,797	290	60	4,056
Week 3: Nov 15-21	.	2,417	2,447	334	60	5,258
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 1-7	11,886	4,645	3,826	1,720	60	22,137
Week 2: Nov 8-14	.	5,988	2,450	4,273	60	12,771
Week 3: Nov 15-21	.	7,432	3,097	5,307	60	15,896
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 1-7	288	257	233	88	65	931
Week 2: Nov 8-14	404	181	.	92	64	741
Week 3: Nov 15-21	466	289	.	89	66	910
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 1-7	0	0	-2	.	.	-2
Week 2: Nov 8-14	.	0	5	.	.	5
Week 3: Nov 15-21	.	0	3	.	.	3

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Memphis						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 1-7	143	56	35	10	-1	243
Week 2: Nov 8-14	.	58	103	0	7	168
Week 3: Nov 15-21	.	50	185	12	15	262
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 1-7	224	44	10	-20	-93	165
Week 2: Nov 8-14	.	60	10	3	136	209
Week 3: Nov 15-21	.	59	20	-6	348	421
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 1-7	806	297	82	25	-20	1,190
Week 2: Nov 8-14	.	856	93	0	0	949
Week 3: Nov 15-21	.	1,327	131	40	-20	1,478
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 1-7	0	0	-19	.	.	-19
Week 2: Nov 8-14	0	0	-17	.	.	-17
Week 3: Nov 15-21	0	0	-13	.	.	-13
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 1-7	0	0
Week 2: Nov 8-14	0	0
Week 3: Nov 15-21	0	0

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Minneapolis						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 1-7	98	64	8	1	-27	144
Week 2: Nov 8-14	.	104	5	8	-26	91
Week 3: Nov 15-21	.	68	1	10	-19	60
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 1-7	254	28	20	0	-1	301
Week 2: Nov 8-14	.	61	41	0	3	105
Week 3: Nov 15-21	.	56	78	0	0	134
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 1-7	320	109	94	0	-18	505
Week 2: Nov 8-14	.	214	138	3	28	383
Week 3: Nov 15-21	.	188	191	3	20	402
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 1-7	0	0	.	.	.	0
Week 2: Nov 8-14	0	0	.	.	.	0
Week 3: Nov 15-21	0	0	.	.	.	0
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 1-7	0	0
Week 2: Nov 8-14	0	0
Week 3: Nov 15-21	0	0

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New Orleans						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 1-7	44	30	26	2	0	102
Week 2: Nov 8-14	34	.	12	-8	0	38
Week 3: Nov 15-21	19	.	-16	1	0	4
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 1-7	61	34	0	-1	-3	91
Week 2: Nov 8-14	44	.	0	-14	-6	24
Week 3: Nov 15-21	25	.	0	-22	1	4
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 1-7	254	146	31	0	-21	410
Week 2: Nov 8-14	.	98	10	0	-7	101
Week 3: Nov 15-21	.	75	12	0	17	104
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 1-7	4	0	0	.	.	4
Week 2: Nov 8-14	2	0	0	.	.	2
Week 3: Nov 15-21	1	0	0	.	.	1
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 1-7	18	0	.	.	.	18
Week 2: Nov 8-14	16	0	.	.	.	16
Week 3: Nov 15-21	14	0	.	.	.	14

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New York						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 1-7	731	481	465	378	60	2,115
Week 2: Nov 8-14	906	545	.	522	60	2,033
Week 3: Nov 15-21	1,096	449	.	834	60	2,439
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 1-7	1,164	705	598	229	60	2,756
Week 2: Nov 8-14	1,401	862	.	235	60	2,558
Week 3: Nov 15-21	1,659	1,112	.	164	60	2,995
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 1-7	2,342	1,704	1,021	919	60	6,046
Week 2: Nov 8-14	2,874	.	948	1,222	60	5,104
Week 3: Nov 15-21	3,511	.	912	1,918	60	6,401
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 1-7	333	241	175	135	96	980
Week 2: Nov 8-14	.	312	269	96	132	809
Week 3: Nov 15-21	.	468	348	89	106	1,011
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 1-7	6	0	0	.	.	6
Week 2: Nov 8-14	7	.	0	.	.	7
Week 3: Nov 15-21	5	.	0	.	.	5

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.



Norfolk						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 1-7	567	202	78	77	60	984
Week 2: Nov 8-14	569	228	67	.	60	924
Week 3: Nov 15-21	592	290	72	.	60	1,014
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 1-7	314	127	84	60	1	586
Week 2: Nov 8-14	313	98	.	60	-26	445
Week 3: Nov 15-21	314	115	.	60	5	494
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 1-7	1,082	375	254	60	-98	1,673
Week 2: Nov 8-14	1,205	373	.	60	-15	1,623
Week 3: Nov 15-21	1,454	487	.	60	-35	1,966
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 1-7	196	122	85	13	12	428
Week 2: Nov 8-14	184	.	74	-9	8	257
Week 3: Nov 15-21	174	.	52	-5	9	230
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 1-7	1	0	0	.	.	1
Week 2: Nov 8-14	1	.	0	.	.	1
Week 3: Nov 15-21	2	.	0	.	.	2

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Oakland						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 1-7	118	60	59	34	33	304
Week 2: Nov 8-14	150	60	82	.	78	370
Week 3: Nov 15-21	180	60	20	.	-42	218
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 1-7	264	182	162	86	60	754
Week 2: Nov 8-14	288	321	.	92	60	761
Week 3: Nov 15-21	316	274	.	44	60	694
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 1-7	296	280	169	149	60	954
Week 2: Nov 8-14	183	.	173	69	60	485
Week 3: Nov 15-21	141	.	-212	13	60	2
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 1-7	255	232	200	108	-54	741
Week 2: Nov 8-14	319	170	.	101	-36	554
Week 3: Nov 15-21	336	199	.	68	-83	520
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 1-7	22	0	-2	.	.	20
Week 2: Nov 8-14	.	0	-7	.	.	-7
Week 3: Nov 15-21	.	0	-13	.	.	-13

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Note : Reefer container availability data for Mitsui OSK Line available through San Francisco instead of Oakland.



Savannah						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 1-7	620	582	179	134	60	1,575
Week 2: Nov 8-14	672	.	199	121	60	1,052
Week 3: Nov 15-21	736	.	244	132	60	1,172
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 1-7	390	275	167	60	-1	891
Week 2: Nov 8-14	.	329	107	60	11	507
Week 3: Nov 15-21	.	342	127	60	-28	501
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 1-7	2,010	1,172	853	60	15	4,110
Week 2: Nov 8-14	.	1,023	974	60	-36	2,021
Week 3: Nov 15-21	.	1,147	1,045	60	-126	2,126
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 1-7	89	77	75	49	24	314
Week 2: Nov 8-14	117	64	52	.	7	240
Week 3: Nov 15-21	117	58	30	.	17	222
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 1-7	2	0	0	.	.	2
Week 2: Nov 8-14	3	.	0	.	.	3
Week 3: Nov 15-21	3	.	0	.	.	3

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.



Seattle						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 1-7	247	60	29	9	4	349
Week 2: Nov 8-14	312	60	.	-38	-5	329
Week 3: Nov 15-21	369	60	.	-11	-6	412
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 1-7	328	72	60	35	6	501
Week 2: Nov 8-14	366	.	60	36	3	465
Week 3: Nov 15-21	373	.	60	32	7	472
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 1-7	691	192	60	49	15	1,007
Week 2: Nov 8-14	782	.	60	-10	-43	789
Week 3: Nov 15-21	840	.	60	-136	17	781
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 1-7	527	320	20	-1	-24	842
Week 2: Nov 8-14	511	.	35	-2	-77	467
Week 3: Nov 15-21	632	.	25	2	-113	546
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 1-7	17	3	0	.	.	20
Week 2: Nov 8-14	17	.	0	.	.	17
Week 3: Nov 15-21	17	.	0	.	.	17

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.



Tacoma						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 1-7	390	177	26	13	.	606
Week 2: Nov 8-14	40	165	134	.	.	339
Week 3: Nov 15-21	20	147	-2	.	.	165
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 1-7	190	139	1	-56	.	274
Week 2: Nov 8-14	43	165	.	-4	.	204
Week 3: Nov 15-21	0	173	.	-40	.	133
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 1-7	863	380	149	34	.	1,426
Week 2: Nov 8-14	929	110	143	.	.	1,182
Week 3: Nov 15-21	763	40	-1	.	.	802
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 1-7	55	28	1	-589	.	-505
Week 2: Nov 8-14	105	5	.	-431	.	-321
Week 3: Nov 15-21	19	-1	.	-508	.	-490
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 1-7	0	0	.	.	.	0
Week 2: Nov 8-14	.	0	.	.	.	0
Week 3: Nov 15-21	.	0	.	.	.	0

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.



Understanding this Report

The weekly Ocean Shipping Container Availability Report (OCSAR) provides a snapshot of container availability for westbound transpacific trade lanes at select intermodal locations around the country. The data presented in this report are gathered from 5 ocean carriers including COSCO Shipping, Evergreen, Yang Ming Transport Corporation, OOCL, and Mitsui OSK Line.

- The data are estimates of container availability per week by the participating carriers. The carriers determine container availability by comparing current supplies at each of the 18 intermodal locations with the demand for these containers based on up-to-date bookings or reservation information in the westbound transpacific trade lane.
- Each week, participating carriers report the estimated number of containers available for the current week (W1) as well as estimates for the subsequent 2 weeks (W2 and W3).
- Maps on pages 2–4 offer a national overview of weekly container availability. The weekly national data are derived from the sum of the individual carrier responses at each intermodal location.
- Individual carrier responses are presented by location on pages 6–23 and have been sorted from largest to smallest. To maintain carrier confidentiality, specific carrier identification is not provided.
- Carrier responses showing negative numbers, such as -29, should be interpreted as meaning that 29 containers are needed by shippers but the carrier is not able to supply them. A positive number, such as 64, would mean 64 containers are available that are not demanded. An indication of 0 means the carriers have the exact amount of containers needed based on current supply and demand estimates.
- Availability levels are subject to change, and may be affected by delays in return of equipment to carriers by shippers or consignees, and by free time restrictions imposed by railroads. Due to the dynamic nature of the container industry, carriers cannot be held responsible for the level of availability at the time of inquiry.
- Data presented in the report do not imply availability of chassis.
- Container availability estimates represent availability for all export cargo, not just agricultural products.
- USDA collects these data on a voluntary basis and cannot be held responsible for the status of container availability when a reader makes inquiry with an ocean carrier. USDA relies on the participating ocean carriers to ensure the data is accurate.
- Terminology:
 - 20ft Dry Container (20ft): A standard shipping container that is 20 feet long.
 - 40ft Dry Container (40ft): A standard shipping container that is 40 feet long.
 - 40ft High-Cube (HC): A shipping container which is 40 feet long and 9 feet, 6 inches tall (1 foot taller than a standard 40ft dry container).
 - 40ft reefer: A refrigerated shipping container which is 40 feet long.
 - 20ft reefer: A refrigerated shipping container which is 20 feet long.
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